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CONVERTING DATA SIGNALS IN A MULTIPLE COMMUNICATION
PROTOCOL SYSTEM AREA NETWORK

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

Converting data signals includes determining whether a coupled interface converter paddle coupled to a serdes is a first interface converter paddle or a second interface converter paddle. The first interface converter paddle is associated with a first communication protocol, and the second interface converter paddle is associated with a second communication protocol. The communication protocol associated with the coupled interface converter paddle is identified. Data signals are received from the coupled interface converter paddle, and deserialized according to the identified communication protocol.